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Crime in borough drops 31%

by Dick Townsend-Smith

THE LATEST figures from royal borough police show a dramatic fall in crime over the last five years.

The reduction of 31 per cent is one of the highest among the London boroughs placing Greenwich in 12th place for the lowest crime rate in the capital.

Statistics covering the period of 2007-08 to 2012-13 show an overall fall in incidents, pushing Greenwich's ranking up from the 23rd lowest level of crime to the 12th out of the 32 London boroughs.

The details are set to be reviewed by the council at a meeting tomorrow as part of a presentation by police borough commander Richard Wood.

The police and the royal borough have been working more closely over the last five years to tackle serious and violent crime across the borough.

Since 2008 the council has funded VOCU - the Violent and Organised Crime Unit - a specialist squad which targets serious crime such as robbery and drug dealing.

VOCU's action against gangs has led to the arrest and conviction of more than 350 people. The most serious and prolific of these have received a total of more than 50 years' worth of custodial sentences between them.

Looking forward, the borough's Safer Greenwich

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TOM REYNOLDS: This was taken from the General Woolf statue. It is six infra red photographs taken from left to right and then stitched together to make the panorama. Infra red produces white foliage and dark skies on a bright sunny day

LETTERS

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Tell us if you cut down tree

ANTONELLIA Banfi's letter to Greenwich Time (Jan 7) about the loss of a beautiful tree outside her home gave me food for thought. I can really empathise with her feelings of anger and can imagine how upset she must have felt when she opened her front door to see the tree outside had gone. The council's defence was reasonable. Clearly, a tree that is causing damage and restricting access does need to be removed and I'm pleased to hear of the council's commitment to care for, replace and increase the number of trees.

However, why was Ms Banfi not advised about the tree? Nowadays, when we householders are constantly asked to comment on our neighbour's plans for the smallest of alterations. Surely the council, too, should be

expected, at least, to inform people of any changes?

I'm sure Ms Banfi would have been much less upset if she and some warning – and an explanation for the tree's removal. In general, I think Greenwich Council does a great job. I feel privileged to live in such a caring and well-run community. But in this case forethought was sadly lacking. I do hope a replacement will be planted very soon and that Ms Banfi is feeling happier.

Jacky Franklin, Shooters Hill

● A royal borough spokesman said: "We would like to apologise to Ms Banfi, who was missed off the list of residents who were informed about this procedure due to an oversight. We are sorry as this should not have happened."

Stones layed on drives are annoying

Star Letter

MANY residents in Eltham open up their front gardens to create off-road parking. I have no objection to this. However, I do wish that the council would discourage people from using beach style scatter stones across the pavement. I walk past a house with this type of parking often and have sprained my ankle three times, fortunately not badly. There are so many stones scattered across the pavement they are hard to avoid. The least the resident could do would be to sweep them back on to his/her parking area. The best they could do would be to get rid of the stones altogether and have the area properly paved.

Carol Doust, Eltham

● A royal borough spokesman said: "The rules around the paving over of gardens have changed in recent years to encourage the use materials and designs which avoid adding rainwater to the sewer system. The changes mean the council is unable to prohibit the use of pebbles for driveways. However, we realise that there are occasions where poor design means that pebbles spill onto the footpath and cause problems. We encourage residents to ensure this does not happen."

Old bus stop sign confusing

THE bus 380 route near Prospect Vale (SE18 5HT) has now a new bus stop sign on the ground but they have not removed the old bus sign on the other lamp post. Sometimes, I stand on the new bus stop sign but I also see other people waiting at the old bus stop sign. The bus drivers sometimes get confused.

A simple solution is to remove the

380 bus sign on the lamp post and place it on the lamp post on the new bus stop sign on the ground. I am just trying to help, thanks for reading.

Maxwell Agyeman Woolwich

● A council spokesman said: "We are in discussions with Transport for London and hope to have this situation resolved soon."

ROYAL BOROUGH MEETINGS

THE following meetings take place at the Town Hall, Wellington Street, unless stated otherwise.

Jan 29 - Council, 7pm, council chamber.
Jan 30 - licensing sub-committee C, 5.30pm, committee room 6.
Audit and risk management panel, 7pm committee room 6.
Feb 5 - children and young people's

scrutiny panel, 7pm room 6.
Feb 6 - licensing sub-committee A, 5pm committee room 6.
Eltham Crematorium joint committee, 6.30pm, Eltham Crematorium, Crown Woods Way.
Feb 11 - Healthier Communities & Older People Scrutiny Panel, 6.30pm, Committee Room 6.
Feb 13 - Overview and Scrutiny, 7pm, Committee Room 6.

Feb 17 - Planning Board, 6.30pm, committee rooms 4 & 5.
Feb 18 - Licensing Sub-Committee B, 6pm, Committee Room 4.
Best Value Review Team: Expansion of Recycling to Flats, 7pm, committee room 6.
Feb 19 - Cabinet, 7pm, committee rooms 4 & 5.
Feb 25 - Licensing Sub-Committee C, 5pm, committee room 6.

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All meeting dates and times are subject to change.

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Sainsbury's

New gym's a hit with Julia

Open days this weekend

by Ian Lamont

RESIDENT Julia McDonald described the new gym facilities at Charlton Lido and Lifestyle Club as "superb" this week - and others will have the chance to try them out this weekend.

Greenwich Leisure Ltd will be holding open days on Saturday and Sunday at the revamped centre.

Julia told GT: "I think the facilities are superb. The equipment is state of the art, the technology is amazing.

"Who would have thought I could be on a treadmill and read the news, look at my emails or be on Facebook at the same time?"

Julia is delighted to have such facilities back in her town, after those put on at Charlton Athletic by GLL closed years ago.

"We've had to drive to other

places, so it's great to be able to walk there," said Julia, who plans to use the gym several times a week.

She was impressed that, on one exercise machine, she can run in a virtual park. Julia also plans to try out the lido when it reopens in the spring. "I last went in there 18 years ago and it was freezing, so I've got to give it a go," she said.

A new cafe will give Julia and her friends a place to meet after individual sessions or classes once it opens with the pool.

A £3.5 million investment by GLL, the royal borough and other partners over recent months has concentrated on building a new health and fitness suite, plus cafe and terrace.

Open day sessions run from 9am to 5pm on Saturday and Sunday (February 1 and 2).

READY, STEADY...! Julia McDonald takes instruction from Joe Sullivan in the gym



Cinema consultation first step in transformation of Eltham town centre

THE transformation of Eltham is getting underway with the royal borough starting consultation on a major new cinema and restaurant complex at the heart of the town.

The council is seeking people's views on developing the site currently occupied by Poundland which was bought by the council in 2012.

The cinema scheme has been agreed as the best way to encourage more people to visit the town in the evening by providing another leisure option for local residents and visitors.

It's all part of an agreed masterplan for the town centre designed to build on the already busy high street environment and to regenerate and grow Eltham - making it brighter and more attractive for visitors and locals alike.

A public exhibition on the cinema plans is taking place in the foyer of the Eltham Centre in Archery Road. It will be held on Friday, January 31, from 3pm to 8pm, and on Saturday, February 1, from 10am to 2pm. Council staff will be on hand to answer questions and listen to people's ideas and suggestions.

Cllr Chris Roberts, leader of the royal borough, said: We are very confident that a new cinema and restaurant complex will make a big difference. It will be a great provision for local people and we know that cinemas attract people and money into town centres, which can only be good news for Eltham. These are

exciting times for Eltham as we start to deliver the agreed masterplan for the town centre. We're already proud of what is a unique and vibrant town centre and we know that by delivering wholesale improvements in Eltham it will not only benefit the people and businesses of Eltham, but the borough as a whole too."

There's more good news for Eltham too after the royal borough secured significant funding to give the High Street a major facelift.

It secured £341,000 from Transport for London (TfL) to put together a proposal for improvements to the High Street that will take account of what local people would like to see. Once agreed, the council will apply to TfL for a further £4 million plus to carry out the work - which could begin as soon as 2015.

The Council is also planning a full scale consultation exercise on the wider improvement plans so residents, businesses and civic organisations can give their views on the proposed improvement works, which include:

- widening and re-laying pavements
- resurfacing the High Street
- renewing street signs and lighting
- improving pedestrian crossings
- planting more trees
- improving accessibility and signage for pedestrians
- investing in cycling infrastructure
- improving areas like Passey Place so they are more in keeping with the improved High Street environment

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STAR ATTRACTION: Players meet Johnnie Jackson (blue top, centre)

League are in seventh heaven

Community tournament expands

CHARLTON Athletic FC captain Johnnie Jackson attended the first set of matches in this year's Charlton Triangle Community Football League.

The contest began on January 14 and runs for 11 weeks, featuring hundreds of 10 and 11-year-old pupils from primary schools in the borough.

This is the seventh year the contest has been run and it has had to expand to two nights a week because of the number of entrants, with some schools wanting to enter two teams.

It has also changed from seven and eight-a-side in recent years to nine-a-side plus four substitutes to accommodate everyone who wants to take part. Each team must contain at least two girls.

Johnnie stayed for the whole opening evening and said: "This is superb."

"I can't believe how big this league is with games being played over three pitches at the same time."

"This really gives the young players a chance to hone their football skills as well as building friendships and learning sportsmanship."



KICKING OFF: The successful community league began the 2014 tournament

All league games are played at the Meridian Sports Ground on Charlton Park Lane, on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4pm to 5.30pm.

The contest is sponsored by Charlton Triangle Homes and organised by Ed Price, PE co-ordinator of Charlton Manor primary, and Leigh Longhurst, general manager of the Meridian. Organisers believe they are breaking

down barriers, as children learn to interact with youngsters from other parts of the borough.

Nigel Pearce, neighbourhood manager for Charlton Triangle Homes, said: "The success of this league is wonderful to see as is the passionate game play and sportsmanship shown between the teams."

"The support shown by the children and their teachers is truly fantastic as is the enthusiastic organising support given by Ed Price and Leigh Longhurst."

"With everyone coming together and working as one makes this league the success it is."

Keep an eye out at cash machines

POLICE have joined forces with the royal borough and NatWest to improve security at new cash machines.

The royal borough has paid for yellow privacy boxes next to the new machines outside the NatWest Stratheden Parade, Blackheath.

The new machines swiftly led to reports of cards being stuck in the slots and of suspicious items being found on and around them.

The Blackheath Westcombe safer neighbourhood team have warned people to be on the lookout for scams including:

- Thieves using external devices to steal cards. This involves inserting a device into the card slot of the machine.

- 'Skimming', by using devices that can read the information from the magnetic strip on the back of a card, which can be copied.

PC Tom Button, of the area's safer neighbourhood team, said: "Fraud is big business for the scammers and the fraudsters are becoming more and more

sophisticated in attempts to take your money.

"Always cover the keypad when entering your PIN. By not disclosing your PIN number, you will prevent criminals from using your card if it is trapped."

"Be suspicious. Examine the ATM carefully for devices. Card or cash trapping devices need to be glued or taped to the card reader or cash dispenser. Look for cheap plastics or obviously raised surfaces."

He also said never rely on a stranger to retrieve a card and ask people to stand away when using a cash machine.

He added: "If you see something odd on the machine tell the bank immediately and consider calling the police."

"Above all, trust your instinct. If you are at all concerned about the people near you, walk away and come back later or use a different machine."

● **For further advice visit www.actionfraud.police.uk or contact PC Tom Button on 0208 721 2635.**

Crime at a five-year low

PARTNERS AGAINST CRIME: Borough Commander Richard Wood and council leader Chris Roberts



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partnership, made up of local organisations, has set a number of key priorities for the next three years which include tackling anti social behaviour and hate crime and creating safer public space. And another unit is being funded to tackle all types of domestic violence.

Cllr Chris Roberts, leader of the royal borough, said: "This authority has worked hand-in-hand with the police to make our streets and homes safer and

more secure. Greenwich is now seeing a far greater reduction in total crime than the average for London. Between April and November last year there was a reduction of 5.1 per cent. The funding we provide has brought significant benefits to both organisations, and local authority community safety staff have developed a far greater understanding of the nature of detective work and criminal investigations."

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Woolwich dealer jailed for 5 years

Police seize 1kg of cocaine with estimated street value of £44,000

A DRUG dealer from Woolwich has been jailed for nearly five years – and police are selling his Audi car to use the cash in the fight against crime.

Thomas Wildish, 31, from Harlinger Street, was seen throwing a bag of cocaine out of his car before police stopped him in Prospect Vale.

He was driving his Audi at speed when officers on patrol spotted him.

Police searched him and found £700 in cash. He claimed that he had just collected the money after finishing a plastering job.

The package he had thrown out of the window contained several parcels of white powder.

Wildish was arrested for possession of criminal property. Two mobile phones were found in his car and seized, together with the vehicle, which was not insured.

Detectives searched his home and found more than £1,000 in a wardrobe and several plastic wraps containing white powder. Wildish was charged with possession of Class A drugs with intent to supply and acquiring criminal property.

Appearing at Woolwich Crown Court, he pleaded guilty to two counts of possessing class A drugs and one of possessing criminal property.

The 1kg of cocaine had an estimated street value of £44,000. Police found £34,000 cash at his home.

He was jailed for four years and nine months. The judge ordered that Wildish's Audi A3 and the cash should be forfeited under the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971.

Det Con Robert Woods, from Plumstead

CID, said: "I'm pleased with the result of our investigation and with the fact that we have taken a drug dealer off the streets. We have significantly disrupted local criminality by seizing a significant amount of money and drugs."

Det Sgt Mick McElroy, a financial investigator from the Met's Criminal Finance team, said: "We have ensured that Wildish's assets have been taken away from him. We have made a serious dent in his personal finances and we will now funnel the proceeds directly into the fight against crime."



OFF THE STREETS: Thomas Wildish

Have you seen these two?

POLICE in Greenwich have released the images of two men they want to question in relation to a burglary at a café in Charlton.

On Friday, December 6 2013, at about 3.25am, The Brew and Choo café, in Charlton Church Lane, was burgled and £100 stolen from the till. Police believe that it took the suspects several minutes to access the property as they had to kick in the lower glass pane of the front door.

The officer in charge, DC Chris Bryant from the Greenwich burglary squad, said: "I am keen to speak with the men in the still images in connection with our investigation. If you know who they are, please contact us in confidence."

● DC Bryant can be contacted on 0208 284 9572 or call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111, quoting 137935 (top picture) and 137936.



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History we

GT comp winners to wed at Charlton House as it gears up for wedding fair

by Dan Stephens

PREPARATIONS are being finalised for a wedding fair at Charlton House, as a couple who won a competition in GT add the final touches before holding their big day there.

Lydia Wharf and fiancée Luiz Demenicis will tie the knot on Valentine's Day in the iconic Jacobean mansion, having won the competition a year ago to have Charlton House as the venue.

This year's fair to prompt others to consider the venue takes place two days later, on February 16.

Lydia told GT: "The wedding is going to be small, but there are lots of personal touches we wanted to include.

"For example, Luiz is Brazilian, so we're

hoping to bring a bit of South America to Charlton House with a Peruvian harpist and carnival-themed activities for children."

And instead of cake, they will have 'bem casados', little favours that are traditionally eaten at Brazilian weddings, bringing luck to the newlyweds.

"We've asked our guests to make donations to the Toy Library rather than give us gifts - it's been a real treat to win the wedding and we're very grateful to Charlton House, but also to our friends and neighbours in Charlton for their help and support in the lead up to our big day."

For other couples seeking tips, the fair is organised by South-East London based company Inspired Weddings and Events.

Rooms will be dressed to impress for the occasion.

Whether your style is vintage, modern



Celebrate fine cuisine at Greenwich Food Fest

RESIDENTS in the royal borough are invited to celebrate the capital's passion for great food at the Greenwich Food Fest.

It is a free one day festival held at Greenwich Market on Monday February 17 from 11am to 7pm.

It will bring together a collection of London's quality food and drink producers, an assortment of the city's many kinds of street foods as well as live music to celebrate London's passion for great cuisine.

Greenwich Market is a famous and historic

part of Greenwich and is known for its quality independent traders and Greenwich Food Fest will showcase this quality local talent and produce.

The event will be raising money for the Greenwich Food Bank, a charity helping to donate emergency food supplies to local people in need.

Supported by Greenwich Hospital and the University of Greenwich, the Greenwich Food Fest looks to give food lovers - locals and visitors to London - an opportunity to join their friends and family in an enjoyable

day activity while supporting a great cause.

Visitors to the festival can hope to find mouth-watering treats to suit all tastes, with traders showcasing some of London's top quality and diverse products right here in the royal borough.

To add to the festivities a tasty side helping of music and family entertainment will ensure locals and visitors alike will get a chance to join in with the celebrations.

● **For more information on the event visit the website www.greenwichfoodfest.co.uk**

Get to know your local library

LIBRARIES across the royal borough will be holding 'get to know your local library' events next week, where residents can discover what they have to offer.

It is part of national libraries week, when the borough will be putting on the South East London Writers Festival (full details, see Scene pages 14-15), offering residents the chance to talk and listen to local authors.

On top of that, Chrissie Gittins will be reading and discussing her poetry at

Blackheath Library on Friday February 7 from 2-3pm. 'Get to know your local library' sessions are as follows:

● Abbey Wood: Mon Feb 3 11-12;
Blackheath: Wed Feb 5 9am-noon;
Claude Ramsey: Thur Feb 6 2-7pm;
Charlton Time: Tues Feb 4 10am-noon;
Coldharbour: Fri Feb 7 2pm onwards;
East Greenwich: Mon Feb 3 2-5pm;
New Eltham: Thur Feb 6 2.15-3.15pm;
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PLUSH: Charlton House laid out for a wedding. It is the venue where Lydia Wharf and Luiz Demenicis will tie the knot on February 14

or shabby chic, top venue stylists will be on hand to advise you to create the perfect ambience.

Admission is free and each bride will receive a glass of bubbly on arrival, as well as a goody bag and entry into prize draws.

Visitors can take in bridal fashion, visit top hair and make-up artists for tips, and sample wedding cakes, wines

and canapés and view wedding photography.

Charlton House is set among acres of beautiful parkland, the beautiful wedding halls are rich in period detail featuring original fireplaces, wood panelling and intricate strapwork ceilings.

The luxurious Grand Salon might prove the perfect setting to enjoy a champagne reception.

Weekday wedding bookings are available from just £200.

● For further information or to book a viewing, call the events team 020 8856 3951, email charlton.house@royalgreenwich.gov.uk or visit www.charlton-house.org

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Celebrate dignity in care

THE royal borough is putting on several events to celebrate Saturday's Dignity Action Day, jointly with the National Dignity Council.

They give everyone the chance to contribute to upholding people's rights to dignity and to provide a truly memorable day for people receiving care. Dignity Action Day aims to ensure people who use care services are treated as individuals and are given choice, control and a sense of purpose.

Events next week are:

● Dignity Special Film Screening: Cloudburst, hosted by the Metro Charity at the Greenwich Picturehouse - February 4 1-5.30pm. Free. Ring 020 8305 5000 for details.

● 'Dignitea' at the Jubilee Community Centre, Thamesmead - February 6 2-7pm. Greenwich Association of Disabled People is running a taster for exercise while sitting

down followed by tea and cakes.

There will be information available on how to have your say about local services. Ring 020 8305 2221 for more information.

● ICSDDC Golden Jubilee Carers' Awards, Old Town Hall, Calderwood Street - February 6, 2-7pm. Marks the Golden Jubilee of Indian Cultural Society. Phone 020 8317 9345 for details.

Charlton Park Care Home, Meadows House in Kidbrooke, and Marlborough Court Care Home in Thamesmead are also holding events. Contact the individual homes for details.

● For details about Dignity Action Day, visit www.dignityincare.org.uk

● For issues relating to dignity in care services, abuse or safeguarding adults, contact the royal borough's Initial Contact Office on 020 8921 2304.

Register to make a change

THE royal borough is backing Change Things Now, a campaign which encourages people under 24 to register to vote.

This will allow them to have a voice on issues that affect them such as jobs, youth services or the economy.

Change Things Now targets people aged 17-24 to emphasise the range of issues that councils and parliaments decide on.

The campaign will help young people find out more about the voting process and makes it easier than ever to register to vote by providing a simple link. Young people are also encouraged to submit ideas about key issues on the campaign's website.

● For more details on the campaign and issues visit www.changethingsnow.co.uk/



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The Woolwich Centre,
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Booking a place:

Sign up to come to this fostering event by filling in our online form at: www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/fostering

Contact:

Greenwich Fostering Service
First floor, The Woolwich Centre,
35 Wellington Street,
Woolwich SE18 6HQ

Tel: 0800 0521499



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www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/fostering



Pupils read with former children's laureate



Rosen shine

**STORY TIME
FUN:** the author
has pupils in
stitches during
a reading

PUPILS at South Rise Primary School in Thamesmead were treated to a visit from Michael Rosen, one of the most well-known figures in the world of children's books, last Thursday (23 January). The whole school enjoyed hearing an inspirational session from Michael who has written 140 books and was the British Children's Laureate from 2007 to 2009.

Michael Rosen read extracts from his own poems and stories, reflected on his childhood and answered the children's questions including what inspired him to become a writer.

Mr Silcock, deputy headteacher said "All of the children loved meeting Michael Rosen today and went back into class to put his words into actions. Michael Rosen is the second children's author to visit our school following Pauline Stewart and we have more author visits planned to continue to inspire the children's reading and writing. "As a School we are committed to and passionate about reading for all children. We are always seeking new ways to inspire children to read and we were incredibly fortunate to be able to welcome Michael Rosen to our school today."

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Bananadrama

Campaigners launch Fairtrade ap-peel!

by Dick Townsend-Smith

BANANAS will be the dish of the day when the borough marks Fairtrade Fortnight next month.

This year's fortnight begins on Monday, February 24 and is the Fairtrade Foundation's 20th anniversary in the UK. Its latest campaign is to transform the banana industry and 'Abolish the Unfair Banana'.

A local launch event at Woolwich Town Hall on February 26 will feature a Colombian banana plantation worker, while schoolchildren will present their Fairtrade ideas to local businesses and supporters. There will also be events and celebrations to promote sustainable development and decent standards of living for producers and traders.

As an official Fairtrade borough since 2006, Greenwich's commitment to supporting the initiative strengthens year after year.

This year's theme - Make Bananas Fair - means the simplest of gestures over the fortnight such as buying a Fairtrade banana over

any other banana can ensure that we make a difference to the lives of millions of people in the developing world.

Royal Greenwich was awarded Fairtrade borough status in 2006 for its commitment to Fairtrade.

Since then there have been Fairtrade fashion shows, coffee mornings and markets. A growing number of local businesses are now stocking Fairtrade goods.

● **For more information visit** www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/whatson and www.foncho.fairtrade.org.uk

● **Are you or your organisation planning something to support Fairtrade Fortnight? If so, contact Greenwich Time on** greenwichtime@outlook.com **or call and leave a message on 020 8921 5916.**

FAIR'S FARE: youngsters learn about the benefits of Fairtrade products at a previous year's events



Singing contest win for winter warmer performer

UP and coming singer Jerusha Frimpong has won a London-wide singing competition set up to inspire young performers.

The 18-year-old (pictured) was a favourite face on the main stage at the Woolwich Winter Warmer events over December.

She took first place in Boroughs United, an annual event run by The Cribbs, charity set up to tackle violence and bring young people together, regardless of borough or

postcode.

RnB singer Jerusha clinched a trophy in the best singer category of the contest which also awarded the best rapper, dancer and under 13 performer. The

Thamesmead singer is part of the youth arts organisation Urban Arts which is supported by the Royal Borough. She took part in the contest along with fellow Urban Arts member Romario Adams, 12, at the Hackney Empire where about 50 youngsters performed on January 19.



NHS trust voted gay-friendly

OXLEAS NHS Foundation Trust is one of the most gay-friendly places to work in the NHS, according to a survey.

The health service in general is the second most gay-friendly employers, according to Stonewall, the gay, lesbian and bisexual charity.

Nine NHS organisations were among their top 100 employers for 2014, and Oxleas came fourth on the list.

Oxleas provides community

and mental health services in Greenwich and Bexley. Chief executive Stephen Fim said: "I am delighted that Stonewall has found Oxleas to offer an inclusive workplace for our lesbian, gay and bisexual employees."

"Our workforce is our most valuable resource and people are more productive, creative and successful when they feel confident, supported and secure to be themselves at work."

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Fridays	ASDA, Charlton	10am - 3pm
Saturdays	General Gordon Square, Woolwich	11am - 5pm

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NEW RECRUITS: Meeting under Matalan's balloon arch are Simone Peynado-Clarke, Laura Dearlove, Philip Domingue, Paul Pearce, Aaron Withers and Nicholas McNeil

Jobs are a good fit

Store move creates work for young jobseekers

A NEW Matalan clothes store has opened at North Greenwich, providing 35 jobs for local people.

They include nine under-25s who have been working overtime trying to find themselves a job.

The store used to be in Bugsby's Way, Charlton, and the move to the old Comet site on the Millenium retail park means staff numbers have doubled to 70. Two-thirds of them are from the borough.

Store manager Lynn Woodard said: "We recruited locally for the new jobs because we had been inundated with CVs when we were at Charlton. We kept them all on file, and when we needed to recruit for the new store we phoned people up and got

by Dick Townsend-Smith

them in for interviews.

"Many of them are under-25 and they include students who just work weekends and evenings, and part-timers."

They include Philip Domingue, 23, from Tunnel Avenue on the Peninsula, who only started working for the store the day before it opened.

He said: "It's my first full-time job after being a student, and it's really exciting. The store is all shiny and brand new, and I'm working with nice people. It took me six months to find a job, and it's a really good feeling."

Simone Peynado-Clarke had been out of work for five years after leaving another retail job to have a family.

She said: "I handed out 30 copies of my CV to local retailers, and got just two interviews, including the Matalan one and they offered me the job.

"I'm really pleased. It's so good to be working again."

The store launch on January 17 saw 250 people queuing up for the 10am opening.

Lynn added: "We had balloon arches, flowers, a special cake and a ribbon-cutting ceremony.

"We gave out 200 vouchers worth £5 and upwards, and shopper Dawn Harmsworth from Kidbrooke won a voucher for £200."

Quality mark for Heritage Centre

GREENWICH Heritage Centre has won a quality mark from VisitEngland, the country's national tourist board. The Woolwich Arsenal venue will now display the VisitEngland Quality Rose Marque after winning accreditation under the Visitor Attraction Quality Assurance Scheme. The award is presented by VisitEngland, which carries out yearly assessments of visitor attractions to ensure they are well-run, welcoming, accessible and visitor friendly. They also make recommendations to further enhance the visitor experience. Cllr Peter Kotz, the royal borough's cabinet member for culture and creative industries said: "This is a major, nationally-regarded scheme, which Greenwich Heritage Centre has successfully gained every year. It shows that we are a high-quality visitor attraction and we are very proud that we have achieved it every year, showing our consistently good approach to visitor services."

● Visit www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/heritagecentre

REWARD: David Jones celebrates receiving the school crossing patrol of the year award with Our Lady of Grace pupils, headteacher Sean Small and the Mayor, Cllr Angela Cornforth, below the celebratory cake



Crossing service marks 60th

CROSSING patrol attendants recently celebrated the 60th anniversary of the service, at a lunch at the Woolwich Centre.

The 2013 award for school crossing patrol of the year went to David Jones, who patrols at Our Lady of Grace School in Charlton who celebrated

with some of the children who attend the school. Current patrol attendants, plus some retired ones, were invited to the lunch. Each patrol person who attended was issued with a special commemorative badge and certificate to reflect the 60th anniversary of the service.

New patron for hospice

BARONESS Howells of St David's has been appointed as patron of the Abbey Wood-based Hospice charity, Greenwich & Bexley Community Hospice.

In her role, Baroness Howells will visit the hospice to meet with patients, staff and volunteers, as well as help to raise its profile and attending key events. Kate Heaps, chief executive of Greenwich & Bexley Community Hospice, said: "Baroness Howells is a respected local figure who has first-hand experience of the hospice and who has supported it for many years. We are very lucky to have her on board as patron."

Baroness Howells said: "It is an honour to have been appointed patron to such a worthwhile and vital resource for our communities in Bexley and Greenwich." For details on the hospice's work visit www.communityhospice.org.uk

Green chain winter walks

GET active for the new year and experience the outdoor spaces Greenwich has to offer, by exploring a Green Chain Walk. The linked parks and open spaces across South East London offer everything from local nature reserves and lovely parklands and gardens to sports grounds and places to grow your own fruit and veg. Many of the most iconic sections of the Green Chain are in the royal borough, from Sutcliffe Park, to Shooters Hill, to Horn Park and Maryon Wilson Park with a range of activities taking place shortly.

● Visit www.greenchain.com

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WITH rising energy prices, it's not only heat that is lost through the roof if your home is poorly insulated. GT looks at how residents can save energy and save money

THIS week is the Big Energy-saving Week, and experts are on hand locally to help people reduce their energy consumption – and save money.

Supported by the council, it's all part of a national campaign by the Citizens Advice Bureau, the Energy Saving Trust, the government, energy suppliers and other voluntary and charitable organisations.

The main aim is help consumers cut their fuel bills, make them more aware of energy saving measures and get them the financial help they are entitled to.

For example, you could save hundreds of pounds a year on your fuel bill by simply checking you're not paying more than you have to for your energy. Contact your supplier directly to find out what incentives they can offer. Most suppliers have a range of different tariffs that might be better for you depending on your circumstances. If you have been with your supplier for more than two years, it is likely that they will have introduced new schemes that might help you.

There could also be cheaper ways to pay your bills. Most energy suppliers offer a discount if you pay by direct debit – it averages £100 per year less if you pay by monthly direct debit rather than by cash or cheque. You may also get discounts for receiving bills online, which cuts down on paper and is good for the environment.

Simple measures to reduce your energy consumption include adjusting the central heating timer or taking appliances off standby but you can make major savings through energy efficient home improvements. For example, you can save up to £320 a year by insulating your loft and cavity walls. More than a third of heat is lost through the walls of your home, and a quarter through the roof. Some energy companies are able to offer free loft and cavity wall insulation through various schemes to vulnerable residents who meet their eligibility criteria and residents are encouraged to find out how their energy suppliers can help make their homes more energy efficient.

If you want to talk to someone face-to-face, Greenwich's Welfare Rights Service can help you to check that you are not missing out on any benefits or tax credits that could boost your income. This could include winter fuel payments for pensioners, Cold Weather Payments or Warm Home Discounts.

● You can also get advice from the council's Energy Team on 020 8921 5331 or email energy-efficiency@royalgreenwich.gov.uk

**BIG
ENERGY
SAVING
WEEK**

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Savings stalls

STALLS are being set up by the council to support Energy Saving Week. There is information on the Big London Energy Switch, the Stay Warm, Stay Safe campaign, and details about what funds are available. The stalls will be located in the main entrance of the Woolwich Centre in Wellington Street tomorrow (Wednesday) and at the Eltham Centre on Friday, from 10am-1pm on both days.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE: energy saving measures from loft insulation to adjusting the thermostat can all help to reduce your fuel bills



Switch

GREENWICH residents can save an average of £14 a year by switching energy suppliers from the royal borough. Thousands of people have signed up to the group London Energy Switch in order to cut their fuel bills. The joint initiative is a result of negotiations between local authorities which negotiate better deals with energy suppliers on behalf of a number of users giving

People power!

Can we help you stay warm and safe?

Scores of residents in the royal borough have already benefited from the Stay Warm Stay Safe service this winter with a range of services and financial support.

Residents in Greenwich who are concerned about the effects of the colder temperatures, or who think neighbours or family members may be struggling still have time to call the free helpline to discuss their options. This year's Stay Warm Stay Safe service runs until March 31 and offers a range of services including: advice and help on fuel bills, a benefits check by the council's Welfare Rights Service, home visits offering extra support, a home fire safety check, advice on keeping active and healthy in the winter months and a free room thermometer and blanket.

The royal borough is working with a range of partner organisations to deliver support to residents in the colder months as part of Stay Warm Stay Safe. To date the service has provided over £6,000 of financial support to more than 100 families who otherwise may have found it difficult to cope with fuel bills this winter.

A 52-year-old Eltham woman who received £100 towards her gas and electricity bill thanks to the Stay Warm Stay Safe service told GT: "I was really grateful because I'm ill at the moment and have been in hospital. I spoke to someone at the Welfare Rights Service and they pointed out the Stay Warm Stay Safe service to me. They came over and put £50 on the electricity meter and another £50 on the gas. It's such a big help as I pay full bills. They even went to the shop and put the money on my card for me as I had just come out of hospital."

● **Call Stay Warm Stay Safe free on 0800 779 7033 or visit www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/staywarm for more information.**



Energy supplier and save money

Residents saved £10 each after switching suppliers with help from the council. In the borough, the council is running a groundbreaking Big London Energy Switch scheme last year to help residents save on fuel bills - more than £100,000 in London. The scheme is run by London Energy Switch, which work together to help residents save because the high costs of energy are making them stronger.

bulk buying power. Now, another round of the scheme is under way, once again backed by the council.

Energy companies are being invited to bid for supplying in bulk, and the winning company will be the one that offers the cheapest tariff.

The more people that register for the scheme by February 18, the better rates that are likely to be offered.

Cllr Harry Singh, cabinet member for Greener Greenwich, said: "Rising fuel costs affect everyone, so I encourage

people to sign up for the scheme. It means people will find it easier to pay their fuel bills.

"The cost of living is rising and this council has been doing all it can to protect people from financial hardship. We are behind the Big London Energy Switch because it will make life easier and better for the people who live here."

● **Register before February 18 at www.biglondonenergyswitch.org.uk or call the council on 020 8921 5100.**

Stay Warm Stay Safe

This winter Royal Greenwich is providing extra services and support for any of our residents who may be at risk during the cold weather.

Call us free on 0800 779 7033

Or go online at www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/staywarm



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For general advice call the Greenwich Carer's Advice Line
0300 555 1515

If you look after an adult and would like to arrange your assessment call
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WHAT'S ON

To enter a listing email greenwichtime@outlook.com or call 020 8921 5916

OLD ROYAL NAVAL COLLEGE

National Storytelling week, Celebrate the art of storytelling with historical character performances of Joe Brown and Grace O'Malley. 12pm - 4pm. Visit www.ornc.org

EARL OF CHATHAM, WOOLWICH

Psychic night with palm reading, crystal ball, tarot card reading and psychic predictions. Jan 30, 7pm and the last Thur of every month. FREE

WOODLAND FARM

Wildlife Explorers trail, spot signs of animals on this free trail. Feb 19, 10am-2pm www.thewoodlandsfarmtrust.org

THE JOHN ROAN SCHOOL

Maze Hill, Greenwich SE3 7UD Animate Orchestra offering young people the chance to play together and create their own music. Feb 20-21, 9.45am-4pm. Cost £17 (£5 concs) Email info@animateorchestra.org.uk or visit <http://animateorchestra.org.uk>

THE FAN MUSEUM

Hatch, Match and Despatch Part 2. An exhibition of fans celebrating the theatricality of love, life and death coering a period of over 300 years. Until June 1, 11am-5pm daily. Cost adults £4, £3 concs, £10 families. Visit <http://www.thefanmuseum.org.uk>



MICHAEL EDWARDS STUDIO, CUTTY SARK

GREENWICH'S historic Cutty Sark, the world's last surviving tea clipper, begins a new career in showbiz this week as a pop-up theatre. The lower hold, where precious cargoes of tea and wool were stacked more than a century turns into an 85-seat studio theatre offering cabaret, comedy, music, special lectures and small scale-drama. Called the Michael Edwards Studio Theatre in recognition of its producer, it will attract big-name performers and personalities, while also nurturing local talent. The vessel's director, Richard

Doughty, said: "We are doing this so Cutty Sark can become a venue for a dinner or a performance, and we can reach out to a new audience." The theatre's opening will be marked by a fortnight of special performances. They include a talk and question-and-answer session with round-the-world yachtsman Sir Robing Knox-Johnson on Thursday (Jan 30), a series of ten weekly performances by comedian Ross Noble beginning on Friday (Jan 31), and stand-up comic Alan Davies with his show Little Victories on February 14. For the full programme details visit rmg.co.uk/studiotheatre

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Argentine festival plan

THE people who put on the show for the Olympics and Paralympic opening ceremonies are gearing up for their big show this year.

The Greenwich and Docklands International Festival is planning an opening night spectacular on June 20, to kick-start a week of events.

Over the years, GDIF has become renowned for its free opening night spectaculars, enthraling audiences with a disaster movie in the sky, dancers scaling the front of the Queen's House and having a giant 12 metre puppet awakening.

This year they plan to show Muare, in which aerial performers from the Argentinian company Voala swoop overhead on a giant 'op art' mobile to live music.

The festival runs from June 20-28 on the riverbanks, featuring the best of UK and international outdoor arts.

Royal Borough of Greenwich
Notice Of Planning Application.
Town & Country Planning Act 1990 (As Amended)
Town & Country Planning (Development Management Procedure)(England) Order 2010
Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 (As Amended)
Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Regulations 1990 (As Amended)
Town & Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2011
Article 13 Publicity for Applications for Planning Permission
Notice under Article 13(2)(a) of an application for planning permission accompanied by an Environmental Statement

Proposed Development At: FORMER CAR PARK AND NOS. 12, 14, 15 AND 16 GUNNERY TERRACE, CORNWALLIS ROAD, WOOLWICH, SE18
Reference Number: 13/3307/F

Notice is hereby given that an application is being made to the Royal Borough of Greenwich By: Crossrail Limited For Full Planning Permission in respect of Construction of 394 residential units and 734m² of non-residential floor space (Use Classes A1, A2, A3, A4, B1, D1 and D2) within five buildings surrounding a central landscaped podium and the east ventilation shaft and service buildings at Woolwich Crossrail Station. All with associated car parking access, servicing and landscaping. The application site falls within the boundaries of the Royal Arsenal Woolwich Conservation Area. Drawing Number: A10286 D 0001 Rev P1, A10286 D 0100 Rev P1, A10286 D 0101 Rev P1, A10286 D 0102 Rev P1, A10286 D 0103 Rev P1, A10286 D 0104 Rev P1, A10286 D 0105 Rev P1, A10286 D 0106 Rev P1, A10286 D 0107 Rev P1, A10286 D 0108 Rev P1, A10286 D 0109 Rev P1, A10286 D 0110 Rev P1, A10286 D 0111 Rev P1, A10286 D 0112 Rev P1, A10286 D 0113 Rev P1, A10286 D 0114 Rev P1, A10286 D 0115 Rev P1, A10286 D 0116 Rev P1, A10286 D 0117 Rev P1, A10286 D 0118 Rev P1, A10286 D 0119 Rev P1, A10286 D 0120 Rev P1, A10286 D 0121 Rev P1, A10286 D 0122 Rev P1, A10286 D 0123 Rev P1, A10286 D 0124 Rev P1, A10286 D 0125 Rev P1, A10286 D 0200 Rev P1, A10286 D 0201 Rev P1, A10286 D 0210 Rev P1, A10286 D 0211 Rev P1, A10286 D 0212 Rev P1, A10286 D 0213 Rev P1, A10286 D 0220 Rev P1, A10286 D 0221 Rev P1, A10286 D 0222 Rev P1, A10286 D 0223 Rev P1, A10286 D 0224 Rev P1, A10286 D 0225 Rev P1, A10286 D 0226 Rev P1, A10286 D 0300 Rev P1, A10286 D 0301 Rev P1, A10286 D 0302 Rev P1, A10286 D 0304 Rev P1, A10286 D 0305 Rev P1, A10286 D 0306 Rev P1, A10286 D 0307 Rev P1, A10286 D 0400 Rev P1, A10286 D 0401 Rev P1, A10286 D 0402 Rev P1, A10286 D 0403 Rev P1, A10286 D 0404 Rev P1, A10286 D 0500 Rev P1, A10286 D 0601 Rev P1, A10286 D 1105 Rev P1, A10286 D 2105 Rev P1, A10286 D 2109 Rev P1, A10286 D 3105 Rev P1, A10286 D 4105 Rev P1, A10286 D 4124 Rev P1, A10286 D 5105 Rev P1, A10286 F 0001 Rev P1, A10286 F 0002 Rev P1, A10286 F 0201 Rev P1, A10286 F 0202 Rev P1, Landscape Masterplan A Main Courtyards, Landscape Masterplan B Main Facilities, Landscape Masterplan A Main Courtyards- User Groups, Landscape Masterplan A Main Courtyards - Planting Policies, Landscape Masterplan A Main Courtyards - Detail Parking Plan, Landscape Masterplan A Main Courtyards - Soil Build-Ups, Landscape Masterplan A Main Courtyards - Wind Mitigation Measures, Notice under Article 11, OIL Form, OIL Form 1: Assumption of Liability, OIL Form: Claiming Exemption or Relief, Planning Statement, Transport Statement, Drainage Statement, Energy Statement, Waste Strategy, Sustainability Statement, Code for Sustainable Homes Pre-assessment Report, Environmental Statement Volume 1, Environmental Statement Volume 2, Environmental Statement Volume 3, Environment Statement Non-Technical Summary and Design and Access Statement.

Members of the public may obtain copies of the Environmental Statement from Development Planning at the above address for which a charge is likely.

A copy of the application and any plans and/or documents submitted with it is available for inspection by the public at www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/planning or at:
Woolwich Public Library, Woolwich Centre, 21 Leve Lane, Woolwich SE18 6QT
between the hours of 9:00 to 17:30 Monday to Friday and 9:00 to 17:00.

Any person who wishes to make representations to the Council about the application should do so in writing by 18/02/2014 to Planning Department, 5th floor, Woolwich Centre, 35 Wellington Street, Woolwich SE18 6HQ stating the full reference number(s) above.

Date: 28-Jan-2014
Mike Hows - Assistant Director

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Woolwich Dockyard SE18 5QL. The Woolwich Singers Community Choir meets every Wednesday, 6.30-8pm. Come and join our happy choir and sing for fun! We sing a mixture of popular songs, something for everyone. £2 weekly inc refreshments. Tel: Wendy 07812 477775.

NATIONAL MARITIME MUSEUM
Turner & The Sea, until April 21. 10am - 5pm, Ticket prices at www.rmg.co.uk/whats-on/events/turner-and-the-sea

CUTTY SARK
From Jan 29. Evening performances in the Cutty Sark Studio Theatre, 7.45pm
Jan 30: An audience with Robin Knox-Johnson
Jan 31: An evening of improvisation with Ross Noble. Feb 5: Richard Herring's Meaning of Life
Visit rmg.co.uk/studiotheatre

CHARLTON ATHLETIC FC
Jan 31, 7.30pm. Charlton Athletic Disabled Supporters Association Quiz Night with raffle and pay bar. £5 per player.
Details at www.cadsa.org.uk

GREENWICH HERITAGE CENTRE
9am-5pm daily until Feb 8
And The River Flows, an exhibition created by the Focus Finder photography group, showcasing three views of the city of London and its impact on daily life. You can also meet the photographers behind the exhibition.

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A captivating week



AMONG the authors appearing at borough libraries for the South East London Writers Festival next week (February 3-8)

will be a man who has written his debut novel at the age of 77.

Don Kenefick had a stroke at the age of 39, which led to him studying literature as a way of aiding his recovery.

The Eltham resident, born in Plumstead and whose novel is called *Captive Shadow*, will be one of several authors appearing at different venues as the borough supports National Libraries Week by showcasing local talent.

Don wonders whether he is the world's oldest first time author after a route to being published that was unconventional and convoluted.

He explained: "My father believed very ardently in educational improvement.

"But his idea of education was that it always ought to be factual and he believed novels were a waste of time."

Don shunned that after his stroke, taking an Open University course, studying "the things I missed out on all those years which involved the arts".

He explained: "I was inspired by novels, but always slightly disappointed with a lot of modern literature as it seemed to leave lots of gaps. So I thought I would try to fill some of those gaps."

In particular, he felt endings were clichéd. "The feeling of living happily ever after is rather delusional," he declares. "Some of the nastiest people in my novel prosper and some of the nice guys die, so in that way it's a bit more realistic when you think of today."

Yet he teasingly adds: "There is an element of triumph at the end from an unexpected quarter."

Captive Shadow charts the similar stories of a father and his son, who never actually meet, with chapters alternating between the time periods of the 1930s/1940s era and 2001.

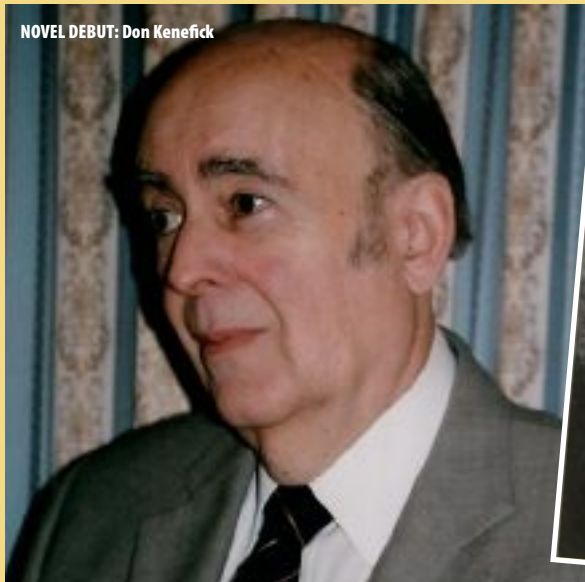
"They are both looking for female companionship and to start a family, but both are painfully shy," says Don. "There are an awful lot of things that get in the way. So it's romantic, but not overly sentimental."

The novel is based in the fictional London borough of Plumham - combining Plumstead and Eltham

While he has drawn on his knowledge of serving in the RAF, he says he has not

IAN LAMONT
talks to a
77-year-old
about his
debut novel.
He will be
one of many
South London
writers
appearing
at borough
libraries for
National
Library Week

NOVEL DEBUT: Don Kenefick



Other authors appearing: times and venues

The South East London Writers Festival is the royal borough's contribution to National Libraries Week, running from February 3-8.

Monday February 3

● Blackheath Library 7.15-8.30pm

James Benmore, from Blackheath, discusses his book *Dodger*, a continuation of Charles Dickens' *Oliver Twist*

● West Greenwich Library 6-8pm

Blake Morrison, a well known local author and poet, reads selected highlights of his books *And When Did You Last See Your Father?*

Tuesday February 4

● Eltham Library, 2-4pm
Don Kenefick

Wednesday February 5

● Blackheath Library 2.30-4pm
Author Neil Rhind, considered the leading authority on the history of Blackheath and its surroundings, gives a talk to coincide with a new Blackheath Society publication *Walking the Heath and Greenwich Revealed*, both of which he co-wrote.

● Eltham Library 2-3.30pm
Meet Kristina Bedford to find out

the inspiration behind her new book *Eltham Through Time* and to buy copies.

Woolwich Through Time will be out in March.

● Woolwich Library

1.30-2.30pm
Meet Gesmay Paynter,

who lives in Woolwich, the author of *Sharing Bananas*:

Thursday February 6

● Eltham Library 2.30-4pm

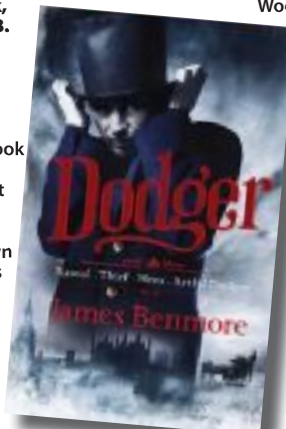
Elaine Everest, author of many books about showing and training dogs, has just published a fiction story called *Grace's War*, about a young teenage girl growing up in the war years.

Friday February 7

● Eltham Library 10.30-noon

An illustrated talk by Bruce Jerram about London's public libraries - the early years. Woolwich and Eltham libraries:

The children's authors known as Jill Lewis - combining two people, Jill Walkington and Alison Lewis - will visit Eltham at 10.30-11.30am and Woolwich from 2-3pm.



used his own character traits in any of his fictional creations.

He would consider that "vain and self-centred", preferring to look out at others rather than having others looking at him.

Not complying to the happy ever after ending, he feels, contributed to publishers not initially being interested in his work.

"I started about 15 years ago," he said.

"What I found was that getting started as a brand new author was one of the most difficult things in the world."

Self-publishing was not an option, as he does not have internet access. Manuscripts sitting in a publisher's in-tray for months is a familiar tale for prospective authors.

While waiting, Don tried to write scripts for TV, a career path which he describes as a "closed shop".

Eventually his work was published last October and, he says the key to publishing a planned second is gaining feedback, which is what he is keen to seek at next week's festival.

"I need feedback from those who have read it, so meeting people at a gathering like this I will be able to listen to what people say about it."

"I've been told it is outstandingly descriptive. However, friends who have read it are likely to put a positive aspect on what they say."

Don would also welcome feedback from readers who would like to write to him at 33 Frensham Road, New Eltham, London, SE9 3RG.

● Don Kenefick will be appearing at Eltham Library on Monday (February 4) from 2-4pm.

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1

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2

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3

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4

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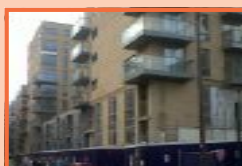
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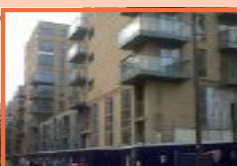
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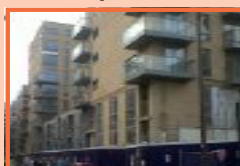
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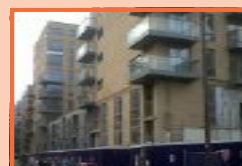
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- Make good any changes you have made to your property e.g. put back any doors that you have removed.
- Make sure your garden is not overgrown and you have cleared all garden waste.
- Clear all your items from the inside and the outside of the property. This includes any loft space, external cupboards or sheds.
- Return all the keys to the Royal Borough's offices no later than midday on Monday (or Tuesday if it is a Bank Holiday). You will be charged a further week's rent if you do not return your keys on time.

If you leave repairs that are your responsibility, or items that require disposal you will be charged the cost of this work.

Special Collection Service

The Royal Borough offers a Special Collection Service for tenants who are moving and want to dispose of something big and bulky, like a sofa or a fridge, and even unwanted clothes and other textiles.

Simply contact Waste Services on 020 8921 4661 and tell them where you live and what you would like taken away.

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Items we DO NOT collect include:

Fitted kitchens, bathroom suites, boilers, sheds, fences and rubble.

For further information, please contact Waste Services on **020 8921 4661.**

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This is what happened to the homes advertised in issue 373

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Old Pearson Street SE10 9LE	3	MAISONETTE	692	23/10/2006	A
Burrage Road SE18 7LN	2	HOUSE	710	08/02/2010	A
Hastings House Mulgrave Road SE18 5RL	1	FLAT	495	27/01/2009	C
The Underwood SE9 3EP	1	FLAT	498	23/01/2013	A
Bingham Point Wilmount Street SE18 6RJ	1	FLAT	457	18/07/2003	A
The Willows Congleton Grove SE18 7LG	1	FLAT	505	16/07/2012	B
Vyvyan House Campbell Close SE18 3NE	0	FLAT	229	22/02/2010	C
Ripon Road SE18 3QJ	1	FLAT	526	19/10/2011	B
Lord Warwick Street SE18 5QB	1	FLAT	487	29/03/2010	A
Kingsman Street SE18 5PS	1	FLAT	520	24/08/2009	A
Topham House Prior Street SE10 8ST	2	FLAT	447	09/05/2008	A
Sun Lane SE3 8UG	2	HOUSE	737	26/01/2009	A
Frances Street SE18 5LA	2	FLAT	276	01/12/2003	A
Ormsby Point Vincent Road SE18 6RN	1	FLAT	453	07/10/2013	A
Troy Court Helen Street SE18 6RQ	0	FLAT	171	19/10/2010	C
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Marathon effort to support future stars

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achievement Starting Blocks has made is fantastic.

"Because of our Olympic athletes there has been a huge groundswell of young children who see this as an achievable target," he added.

Many of those are now supported by Starting Blocks, for which Jim has been a trustee since it began in 2006.

Through the charity, dozens of youngsters can gain grants up to £1,200 to help with equipment, travel and competitions which can take them all over the world.

They include Gibbons, fellow London Olympian Zoe Smith (weightlifting), athlete David Bolarinwa, fencers JJ Webb and Harry Peck and sisters such as Natasha (swimming) and Sabrina Sinha (athletics).

The application deadline is February 20 and can be made to those who live or go to school in the borough.

Jim runs at least five times a week, his favoured route around Oxleas Wood.

"People think 26 miles is a long way," he said. "Believe me, it's nothing compared to the 500 miles you have to run in training."

The royal borough will be hosting marathon breakfasts again this year, a reception on the world famous Cutty Sark in Greenwich for 100 people giving fantastic views of the action.

"The take up on it last year was just phenomenal," reflected Jim.

● To find out more about Starting Blocks funding and to apply visit www.greenwichstartingblocks.org

● To sponsor Jim Martin for the London Marathon on April 13 visit www.justgiving.com/Jim-Martin2

● To register an interest in the Marathon Breakfast (£75 per ticket) contact Tom Ringwood on 020 821 6269 or email tom.ringwood@royalgreenwich.gov.uk

Karate club coaches takes GCSE lessons

A KARATE group's desire to work with the community has been realised by teaching the martial art to teenagers as part of their PE GCSE.

Kent Karate Club took advantage of Crown Woods College's community facilities to restart their group last September.

Extra sporting facilities for use by the community were funded by the royal borough there as part of its legacy commitments after the London 2012 Olympics.

And not only have they expanded by adding a Wednesday evening session to their Thursday night one, they have begun helping with the school's syllabus.

One of the club's leaders, Sean Hammond, said: "We get on well with the Crown Woods and they said we would be able to do something in their GCSE class."

"The GCSE syllabus covers the four major styles

COMMUNITY HELP: coaches have branched out to taking sessions within Crown Woods College



of karate and we offer one of them, so we found ourselves teaching a class of 30."

The age-range taught in the club by Sean and fellow coach Ali Berendji is five to 10, but Sean said their sessions were open to any age.

"We fitted the sessions around our work, because we both work locally and we'd be willing to work with other schools," said Sean, who added that parents say they see an improvement in children's school work, self-confidence, coordination and discipline as a result

of their tuition.

"We've added another night of sessions and just tried to grow," said Sean, whose classes typically number 15 children.

Sessions run at 6.30-7.30pm on Wednesdays and Thursdays at the college, in Eltham.

● For more details about the club visit www.kent-karate-academy.co.uk/

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (GENERAL PERMITTED DEVELOPMENT) ORDER 1995 AS AMENDED

NOTICE PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 4(1) OF THE MAKING OF AN ARTICLE 4 DIRECTION

Notice is hereby given that the Royal Borough of Greenwich has made a direction under article 4(1) of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995 on 28th January 2014.

The article 4 direction applies to 2-4 Pier Walk, Greenwich, SE10 0ES and 6 Mitre Passage, Greenwich, London SE10 0ER ("the Land")

The effect of the direction is that permission granted by Article 3 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995 as amended would not apply to the types of development described in the Schedule to this notice and such development shall not be carried out on the Land unless planning permission has been granted.

A copy of the direction, including maps defining the areas covered, can be viewed at: 6 Mitre Passage, Greenwich, SE10 0ER or Woolwich Town Centre Library, 35 Wellington Street, The Woolwich Centre, Woolwich, London, SE18 6HQ.

Representations may be made concerning the article 4 direction between 28th January 2014 and 21st February 2014. If you wish to make representations you may do so by email to planning.policy@royalgreenwich.gov.uk or by post to The Royal Borough of Greenwich, Planning Department, 5th Floor, The Woolwich Centre, 35 Wellington Street, Woolwich, London, SE18 6HQ. Representations must be received on or before 21st February 2014. Any representations received after 21st February 2014 WILL NOT be considered.

The article 4 direction will come into force, subject to confirmation by the Royal Borough of Greenwich on 28th January 2015

Dated: 28th January 2014

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Starting Blocks trustee outlines proud marathon record as he runs in aid of next sporting generation

'I've beaten Mo Farah'



FUNDRAISER: Jim Martin is taking on his 19th London Marathon this April

by Ian Lamont

STARTING Blocks trustee Jim Martin underlined the enjoyment of running the London Marathon - describing his joy at beating top athletes.

Jim will be running the event on Sunday April 13 in aid of the charity which supports about 50 up and coming athletes.

It will be his 19th London Marathon and his preparation gets going in earnest as the deadline approaches for young athletes to apply for this year's round of Starting Blocks funding.

"I've raced against Haile Gebrselassie three times," he said of the great Ethiopian athlete. "I started on it on an equal standing. He's run it three times and it's 2-1 to him because he pulled up hurt one year, so I beat him."

"And of course, last year Mo Farah pulled up after 13 miles, so I've beaten him," he added of the double Olympic gold medallist, over 5,000 and 10,000 metres, who is now turning his

attention to the marathon distance of 26.2 miles.

Jim, 58, was inspired to run the event after watching it - and, having been supportive of the London Olympics - hopes to raise money to help others who are inspired to be the best they can be in sport.

"I've always lived in the borough and I was a spectator long before I was a participant," he said, describing how when he first started watching his home in Charlton was very close to the two and six mile points.

"When you are a spectator you get caught up in it. It's something you get inspired by," Jim added.

"I was very supportive of the Olympics.

"I was a Games Maker at the Dome and saw it as a very big deal and to get people's heads out of the mire and look to the horizon to see there is a great thing."

"Starting Blocks is a huge opportunity to fund young people who had aspirations to achieve success."

"We were obviously delighted a Starting Blocks athlete [Gemma Gibbons, judo], won a silver medal."

"In terms of achievement, it's like putting a man on the moon. The level of



STOPPED HALF WAY: Mo Farah on his way to the 13 mile point in last year's event

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